

Soldiers' Home in Holyoke Board of Trustees Meeting

A meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at the Soldiers' Home in Holyoke on Tuesday, April 11, 2017, in Conference Room A. The meeting began at 4:00 PM.

- **Members Present**
Daniel J. Smith, Acting Chairman; Benjamin H. Cluff; Cindy T. Lacoste; and Cesar A. Lopez
- **Also Present**
Bennett W. Walsh, Superintendent; John K. Crotty, Deputy Superintendent; Alice Pizzi, Counsel II; Erin Spaulding, Chief Financial Officer; Randy G. Stone, Director of Nursing; and Lori Beswick, Recording Secretary
- **Pledge of Allegiance**
All present cited the Pledge of Allegiance.
- **Public Comment**
Daniel J. Smith asked if any member of the public wished to address the Trustees. No public comment was offered.
- **Minutes**
Upon motion by Benjamin H. Cluff and seconded by Cesar A. Lopez, it was unanimously VOTED to accept the minutes of the regular meeting held on Tuesday, February 21, 2017. Upon motion by Cesar A. Lopez and seconded by Cindy T. Lacoste (as printed), it was unanimously VOTED to accept the minutes of the regular meeting held on Tuesday, March 28, 2017.
- **New Director of Nursing**
Bennett W. Walsh introduced the new Director of Nursing Randy G. Stone. Trustees welcomed him to the Home.
- **Presentation by Alice Pizzi, Counsel II**
Alice Pizzi conducted a detailed PowerPoint Presentation titled, "General Counsel Roles and Responsibilities". The Trustees posed many questions. Upon motion by Benjamin H. Cluff and seconded by Cesar A. Lopez, it was unanimously VOTED to accept Alice Pizzi's Presentation.
- **Superintendent's Report**
Bennett W. Walsh presented the Superintendent's Report. Upon motion by Benjamin H. Cluff and seconded by Cesar A. Lopez, it was unanimously VOTED to accept the Superintendent's Report as presented.

- **Old Business**

Victory4Veterans 6th Annual Soldiers' Home in Holyoke Motorcycle Run

Upon motion by Benjamin H. Cluff and seconded by Cindy T. Lacoste, it was unanimously VOTED to approve the expenditure of up to \$5,000.00, from the Trustees' Fund, for the purchase of advertising, t-shirts, food and entertainment for the Victory4Veterans 6th Annual Soldiers' Home in Holyoke Motorcycle Run to be held on Saturday, May 20, 2017.

PeoplesBank

Upon motion by Benjamin H. Cluff and seconded by Cesar A. Lopez, it was unanimously VOTED to authorize Erin Spaulding to open an account at PeoplesBank and transfer monies from Westfield Bank to this account.

Reappointments – Medical Staff

Upon motion by Cesar A. Lopez and seconded by Benjamin H. Cluff, it was unanimously VOTED to reappoint Celeste Surreira, N.P., and Barry Z. Izenstein, M.D., to a two (2) year appointment to the Medical Staff. A Roll Call Vote was conducted. Prior to speaking, each Trustee identified themselves by name. The Roll Call Vote is as follows: Benjamin H. Cluff (Yes); Cesar A. Lopez (Yes); Cindy T. Lacoste (Yes); and Daniel J. Smith (Yes). The vote was unanimous.

Conklin Office Furniture

Bennett W. Walsh mentioned that we are actively working on obtaining quotes from vendors for reconditioning/improving the Main Lobby furniture. An update will be provided during the next meeting.

- **New Business**

There is no new business to report.

- **Adjournment**

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 4:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bennett W. Walsh
Secretary for the Board of Trustees